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**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)**

Case No.	ANTICIPATED CLASSIFICATION OF THIS APPLICATION		PRIOR APPLICATION EXAMINER	ART UNIT
10900/007	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Jong Suk Lee	3673

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This is a request for filing a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1), of pending prior application number 09/835,794, filed on April 16, 2001, entitled JACK-UP MOBILE OFFSHORE DRILLING UNITS (MODUS) AND JACKING METHOD AND APPARATUS.

- ☒ Copy Of the Prior application, including Nine (9) sheets of drawings, 28 pages of Application (including title page), and the following Appendices \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ Copy of the Declaration filed in the Prior application.
- ☐ PTO Form 1449 and Information Disclosure Statement.

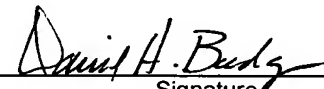
CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	9 - 20 =	0	x \$ 18 =	\$0
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	4 - 3 =	1	x \$ 86 =	\$86.00
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$280 =	\$ 0.00
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$ 770
				Total of above Calculations =	\$ 856
	Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)				\$
				TOTAL =	\$ 856

- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27  
☐ is enclosed.  
☐ was filed in prior application number \_\_\_\_\_ and such status is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.28(a)).
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Enclosed is a check for \$ 856.00 to cover the filing fees.
- ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-21 and 23-29 of the prior application and otherwise enter the attached preliminary amendment before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).
- ☒ The inventor(s) of the invention being claimed in this application is(are): James E. Ingle.
- ☐ This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2), the Commissioner is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application: \_\_\_\_\_

10. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a ☐ continuation ☒ division of application number 09/835,794, filed April 16, 2001, (pending), which is hereby incorporated by reference herein."
11. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.
12. ☐ Priority of foreign application number \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.  
☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application number \_\_\_\_\_, filed
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
14. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to OSL Offshore Systems and Deck Machinery LLC.
15. ☐ Also enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_.
16. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to: David H. Badger, A. James Richardson, Lawrence A. Steward, Dean E. McConnell, Sanders N. Hillis, Dewayne A. Hughes, and other attorneys at the firm of BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE.
- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. ☒ Address all future correspondence to: (may only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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- ☐ Inventor(s)  
☐ Assignee of complete interest  
☒ Attorney or agent of record  
☐ Filed under 37 CFR 1.34(a)  
Registration Number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a): \_\_\_\_\_.


**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	)	
James E. Ingle	)	Group Art Unit Not Yet Assigned
Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned	)	Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
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